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COLUMBIA CORRECTIONAL INSTITUTION ESCAPES

The Department of Corrections (DOC) confirms the escape of two (2) inmates, Thomas E. Deering and James R. Newman, from Columbia Correctional Institution on the morning of April 16, 2020. The incident has been reported to law enforcement. DOC is working closely with the Columbia County Sheriff's Office and various other law enforcement agencies on this ongoing investigation.

These individuals are considered dangerous. Anyone with information regarding the whereabouts of these individuals should immediately contact law enforcement.

Name: Thomas E. Deering

Year of Birth: 1974

Gender: Male

Race: White

Height: 6'0"

Weight: 200 lbs.

Eye Color: Blue

Hair Color: Brown

County of Conviction: Milwaukee, Columbia, Dodge

Offense information is available on the Wisconsin Circuit Court Access website.

Name: James R. Newman

Year of Birth: 1983

Gender: Male

Race: White

Height: 5'9"

Weight: 190 lbs.

Eye Color: Brown

Hair Color: Brown

County of Conviction: Brown, Jackson

Offense information is available on the Wisconsin Circuit Court Access website.